



June 24, 2019

Austin Evers
Executive Director
American Oversight
1030 15th Street NW, Ste B255
Washington, DC 20005

RE: FOIA Request No. 873260

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA request) dated March 14, 2019 (tracking # 873260) wherein you requested:


4. *For all employees who entered into a position at the agency as "political appointees" prior to the Relevant Date (as that term is defined in request 1), and all career employees who have been detailed into a leadership office of component front office prior to the Relevant Date:*
 - b. *Any conflicts or ethics waivers or authorizations for the individual created after the Relevant Date, including authorizations pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502*
 - c. *Records reflecting any recusal determination made or issued for the individual after the Relevant Date.*

The Office of Legal Counsel (OLC), Office of the Solicitor has searched its records and found no responsive documents. Other agencies within the Department of Labor will be responsible for conducting a reasonable search for the remaining requests, and will respond accordingly.

If you have questions about this response you may contact Vanessa Myers in OLC, at 202-693-5702 or by email at myers.vanessa.j@dol.gov, or, the DOL FOIA Public Liaison, Thomas Hicks, at 202-693-5427 or by email at hicks.thomas@dol.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), within the National Archives and Records Administration, to inquire about the mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. You can also reach that office by e-mail at ogis@nara.gov, by phone at 202-741-5770, by fax at 202-741-5769, or by calling toll-free at 1-877-684-6448.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Solicitor of Labor within 90 days from the date of this letter. The appeal must state in writing the grounds for the appeal, and it may include any supporting statements or arguments, but such statements are not required. In order to facilitate processing of the appeal, please include your mailing address and daytime telephone number, as well as a copy of the initial request and copy of this letter. The envelope and letter of the appeal should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Any amendment to the appeal must be made in writing and received prior to a decision. The appeal should be addressed to the Solicitor of Labor, Division of Management and Administrative Legal Services, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N2420, Washington, DC 20210. Appeals may also be submitted by email to foiaappeal@dol.gov. Appeals submitted to any other email address will not be accepted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katherine E. Bissell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "K" and a circular flourish at the end.

Katherine Bissell
Deputy Solicitor for Regional Enforcement